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The following items were adopted at the January 9, 1997, Commission meeting and released later that day.

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## NEWS RELEASES

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\*\*COMMISSION PROPOSES RULES FOR VIDEO CLOSED CAPTIONING. News Media Contact: Morgan Broman at (202) 418-2358 Cable Services Bureau Contact: Marcia Glauberman (202) 418-7200.. Report No: CS-97-2. by NPRM. Adopted: January 9, 1997. Dkt No.: MM-95-176. (FCC No. 97-4) CSB. Internet URL: [https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/News\\_Releases/1997/nrcb7002.txt](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/News_Releases/1997/nrcb7002.txt)

\*\*THE FCC MAKES SPECTRUM AVAILABLE FOR NEW UNLICENSED EQUIPMENT; U-NII DEVICES WILL FACILITATE ACCESS TO THE NATIONAL INFORMATION INFRASTRUCTURE. Report No: GN-97-3. by NPRM. Action by: the Commission. Adopted: January 9, 1997. Dkt No.: ET-96-102. (FCC No. 97-5) News Media Contact: Rochelle Cohen (202) 418-0253. OET Contact: Tom Derenge at (202)418-2451 and Fred Thomas at (202) 418-2449. Internet URL: [https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Engineering\\_Technology/News\\_Releases/1997/nret7002.txt](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Engineering_Technology/News_Releases/1997/nret7002.txt)

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## NEWS RELEASES

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FCC FILINGS. OPA. Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/filings.html>

FCC CALENDAR OF EVENTS. OPA. Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/calendar.html>

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

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Released: January 10, 1997. TARIFF TRANSMITTAL PUBLIC REFERENCE LOG: JANUARY 9, 1997.

Report No: 1111. Released: January 10, 1997. CABLE TELEVISION SERVICE REGISTRATIONS; SPECIAL RELIEF AND OTHER FILINGS.

Report No: 43906. Released: January 10, 1997. BROADCAST ACTIONS. Internet URL:  
[https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass\\_Media/Public\\_Notices/ac970110.txt](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Public_Notices/ac970110.txt)

Report No: 23906. Released: January 10, 1997. BROADCAST APPLICATIONS. Internet URL:  
[https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass\\_Media/Public\\_Notices/ap970110.txt](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Public_Notices/ap970110.txt)

Report No: 297. Released: January 10, 1997. MMB BUREAU CALL SIGN ACTIONS. Internet URL:  
[https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass\\_Media/Public\\_Notices/Call\\_Sign\\_Changes/pnmm7001.txt](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Public_Notices/Call_Sign_Changes/pnmm7001.txt)

Released: January 10, 1997. " AVAILABILITY OF CHILDREN'S TELEVISION PROGRAMMING REPORT (FCC FORM 398) . Contact: Mass Media Bureau: Jackie Swank at 418-2621."

\*\* Released: January 10, 1997. \*\*WEBCEL COMMUNICATIONS SEEKS COMMISSION DETERMINATION OF "EXEMPT TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY" STATUS UNDER THE PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935, AS AMENDED BY SECTION 103 OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996. Comments Due: January 27, 1997 Reply Comments Due: February 3, 1997. (DA No. 97-61). Contact: Lawrence Spiwak, Competition Division, Office of General Counsel. Action by: Chief, Competition Division, Office of General Counsel.

Report No: CL-97-18. Released: January 10, 1997. WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU COMMERCIAL RADIO SERVICE INFORMATION.

Report No: LB-97-14. Released: January 10, 1997. WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU COMMERCIAL WIRELESS SERVICE INFORMATION. Internet URL:  
[https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Public\\_Notices/1997/pnw17017.txt](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Public_Notices/1997/pnw17017.txt)

**ADDENDA: The following items, released January 9, 1997, did not appear in Digest No. 6:**

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**PUBLIC NOTICES**  
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\*\* Released: January 9, 1997. \*\*COMMISSION STAFF RELEASES ANALYSIS OF FORWARD-LOOKING ECONOMIC COST PROXY MODELS. Comment Date: February 3, 1997 Reply Comment Date: February 14, 1997. (DA No. 97-56). Internet URL:  
[https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common\\_Carrier/Public\\_Notices/1997/da970056.txt](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/1997/da970056.txt)

\*\* Released: January 9, 1997. \*\*FEDERAL-STATE JOINT BOARD ON UNIVERSAL SERVICE: AGENDA AND PANELISTS ANNOUNCED FOR STAFF WORKSHOPS ON PROXY COST MODELS ON JANUARY 14-15, 1997. (DA No. 97-60). Dkt No.: CC-96-45.

Report No: D-904. Released: January 9, 1997. MASS MEDIA BUREAU MULTIPOINT DISTRIBUTION SERVICE APPLICATIONS. Action by: Chief, Mass Media Bureau.

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**TEXTS**  
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THE USE OF COMPUTER MODELS FOR ESTIMATING FORWARD-LOOKING ECONOMIC COSTS. A Staff Analysis. CCB

ERRATUM TO NAL (DA-96-2102) RELEASED DECEMBER 17, 1996, CONCERNING LONG DISTANCE SERVICES, INC. APPARENT LIABILITY FOR FORFEITURE. Action by Chief, Formal Complaints and Investigations Branch, Enforcement Division, Common Carrier Bureau. by Erratum. CCB

CATALINA TRANSMISSION CORPORATION FOUR MEDIA COMPANY. Granted Catalina and 4MC authority to transfer stock of 4MC and thus control of Catalina. Action by Chief, Telecommunications Division, International Bureau. Adopted: January 6, 1997. by MO,O&A. (DA No. 97-26). IB Internet URL:

<https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/Orders/1997/da970026.txt>

\*\*IN THE MATTER OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES TO PROVIDE FOR OPERATION OF UNLICENSED NII DEVICES IN THE 5 GHZ FREQUENCY RANGE. AMENDED. See Second Item under "news releases" adopted at the January 9, 1997 Commission Meeting. Dkt No.: ET-96-102. Action by the Commission. Adopted: January 9, 1997. by R&O. (FCC No. 97-5). OET Internet URL:

[https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Engineering\\_Technology/Orders/1997/fcc97005.wp](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Engineering_Technology/Orders/1997/fcc97005.wp)

**ADDENDA: The following items, released January 8, 1997, did not appear in Digest No. 5:**

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### PUBLIC NOTICES

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Report No: 1290. Released: January 8, 1997. CABLE TELEVISION RELAY SERVICE (CARS) APPLICATIONS RE: APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED FOR FILING. For further information contact the Cable Services Bureau at (202) 418-7000.

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### TEXTS

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CHANNEL SUBSTITUTION. Issued letter responding to an inquiry concerning the cessation of WWOR-TV's delivery of its signal via satellite to cable operators, and the substitute delivery of Discovery's Animal Planet channel by the satellite transponder. Clarified that a cable operator using FCC Form 1240 annually need not also file a FCC Form 1210 to reflect this channel adjustment. Clarified that an operator may move the Animal Planet channel, substituted for WWOR-TV, to a New Product Tier. Action by Chief, Cable Services Bureau. by Letter. (DA No. 97-0036). MMB

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The following items are corrections from previous Daily Digests.

Second item under "texts" - KBL Systems of the Southwest should have shown an effective date of January 3, 1997.